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Air Panel Delays Hearing on Alleged Plot to Kill King

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A House Assassinations subcommittee yesterday postponed questioning of two brothers about their reported charge that country music singer Arnold Godfrey offered them money to kill Martin Luther King Jr.

Godfrey's lawyer, Jack Dorsey of Atlanta, told United Press International the subcommittee questioned Godfrey in a secret session Monday and planned to question brothers Claude and Leon Powell yesterday, but later canceled the hearing.

The subcommittee said Godfrey might be called back for questioning after the Powells testify later, Dorsey said. The committee gave no explanation for the postponement.